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SENATE BILL NO. 1037

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MAYER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 640.100, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the public drinking water primacy fee.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 640.100, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 640.100, to read as follows:

640.100. 1. The safe drinking water commission created in section

- 2 640.105 shall promulgate rules necessary for the implementation, administration
- 3 and enforcement of sections 640.100 to 640.140 and the federal Safe Drinking
- 4 Water Act as amended.
- 5 2. No standard, rule or regulation or any amendment or repeal thereof
- 6 shall be adopted except after a public hearing to be held by the commission after
- 7 at least thirty days' prior notice in the manner prescribed by the rulemaking
- 8 provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and an opportunity given to the public to be
- 9 heard; the commission may solicit the views, in writing, of persons who may be
- 10 affected by, knowledgeable about, or interested in proposed rules and regulations,
- 11 or standards. Any person heard or registered at the hearing, or making written
- 12 request for notice, shall be given written notice of the action of the commission
- 13 with respect to the subject thereof. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is
- 14 defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is promulgated to administer and enforce
- 15 sections 640.100 to 640.140 shall become effective only if the agency has fully

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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16 complied with all of the requirements of chapter 536, RSMo, including but not 17 limited to, section 536.028, RSMo, if applicable, after June 9, 1998. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to June 9, 1998, is of no force and effect and 18 19 repealed as of June 9, 1998, however, nothing in this section shall be interpreted 20 to repeal or affect the validity of any rule adopted or promulgated prior to June 219, 1998. If the provisions of section 536.028, RSMo, apply, the provisions of this 22section are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to section 536.028, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective 23date, or to disapprove and annul a rule or portion of a rule are held 2425unconstitutional or invalid, the purported grant of rulemaking authority and any 26 rule so proposed and contained in the order of rulemaking shall be invalid and void, except that nothing in this chapter or chapter 644, RSMo, shall affect the 27 28 validity of any rule adopted and promulgated prior to June 9, 1998.

3. The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations for the certification of public water system operators, backflow prevention assembly testers and laboratories conducting tests pursuant to sections 640.100 to 640.140. Any person seeking to be a certified backflow prevention assembly tester shall satisfactorily complete standard, nationally recognized written and performance examinations designed to ensure that the person is competent to determine if the assembly is functioning within its design specifications. Any such state certification shall satisfy any need for local certification as a backflow prevention assembly tester. However, political subdivisions may set additional testing standards for individuals who are seeking to be certified as backflow prevention assembly testers. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, agencies of the state or its political subdivisions shall only require carbonated beverage dispensers to conform to the backflow protection requirements established in the National Sanitation Foundation standard eighteen, and the dispensers shall be so listed by an independent testing laboratory. The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations for collection of samples and analysis of water furnished by municipalities, corporations, companies, state establishments, federal establishments or individuals to the public. The department of natural resources or the department of health and senior services shall, at the request of any supplier, make any analyses or tests required pursuant to the terms of section 192.320, RSMo, and sections 640.100 to 640.140. The department shall collect fees to cover the reasonable cost of laboratory services, both within the department of natural resources and the

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department of health and senior services, laboratory certification and program administration as required by sections 640.100 to 640.140. The laboratory services and program administration fees pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed two hundred dollars for a supplier supplying less than four thousand one hundred service connections, three hundred dollars for supplying less than seven thousand six hundred service connections, five hundred dollars for supplying seven thousand six hundred or more service connections, and five hundred dollars 58 for testing surface water. Such fees shall be deposited in the safe drinking water 59 fund as specified in section 640.110. The analysis of all drinking water required by section 192.320, RSMo, and sections 640.100 to 640.140 shall be made by the department of natural resources laboratories, department of health and senior services laboratories or laboratories certified by the department of natural resources.

- 4. The department of natural resources shall establish and maintain an inventory of public water supplies and conduct sanitary surveys of public water systems. Such records shall be available for public inspection during regular business hours.
- 5. (1) For the purpose of complying with federal requirements for 69 maintaining the primacy of state enforcement of the federal Safe Drinking Water 70 71 Act, the department is hereby directed to request appropriations from the general 72revenue fund and all other appropriate sources to fund the activities of the public 73 drinking water program and in addition to the fees authorized pursuant to 74subsection 3 of this section, an annual fee for each customer service connection 75with a public water system is hereby authorized to be imposed upon all customers of public water systems in this state. The fees collected shall not exceed the 76 amounts specified in this subsection and the commission may set the fees, by 77rule, in a lower amount by proportionally reducing all fees charged pursuant to 78 this subsection from the specified maximum amounts. Reductions shall be 79 roughly proportional but in each case shall be divisible by twelve. Each 80 customer of a public water system shall pay an annual fee for each customer 81 service connection. 82
 - (2) The annual fee per customer service connection for unmetered customers and customers with meters not greater than one inch in size shall be based upon the number of service connections in the water system serving that customer, and shall not exceed:

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88	1,001 to 4,000 connections[1.84] 3.00	
89	4,001 to 7,000 connections	
90	7,001 to 10,000 connections	
91	10,001 to 20,000 connections[1.34] 2.16	
92	20,001 to 35,000 connections[1.17] 1.92	
93	35,001 to 50,000 connections[1.00] 1.56	
94	50,001 to 100,000 connections	
95	More than 100,000 connections [.66] 1.08	

- (3) The annual user fee for customers having meters greater than one inch but less than or equal to two inches in size shall not exceed [five dollars] seven dollars and forty-four cents; for customers with meters greater than two inches but less than or equal to four inches in size shall not exceed [twenty-five dollars] forty-one dollars and sixteen cents; and for customers with meters greater than four inches in size shall not exceed [fifty dollars] eighty-two dollars and forty-four cents.
- (4) Customers served by multiple connections shall pay an annual user fee based on the above rates for each connection, except that no single facility served by multiple connections shall pay a total of more than five hundred dollars per year.
- effective on [August 28, 1992] August 28,2006, and shall be collected by the public water system serving the customer beginning September 1, 2006, and continuing until such time that the safe drinking water commission, at its discretion, specifies a lower amount under subdivision (1) of subsection 5 of this section. The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations on the procedures for billing, collection and delinquent payment. Fees collected by a public water system pursuant to subsection 5 of this section are state fees. The annual fee shall be enumerated separately from all other charges, and shall be collected in monthly, quarterly or annual increments. Such fees shall be transferred to the director of the department of revenue at frequencies not less than quarterly. Two percent of the revenue arising from the fees shall be retained by the public water system for the purpose of reimbursing its expenses for billing and collection of such fees.
- 7. Imposition and collection of the fees authorized in subsection 5 of this section shall be suspended on the first day of a calendar quarter if, during the preceding calendar quarter, the federally delegated authority granted to the safe

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124 drinking water program within the department of natural resources to administer

125 the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300g-2, is withdrawn. The fee shall not

126 be reinstated until the first day of the calendar quarter following the quarter

127 during which such delegated authority is reinstated.

8. Fees imposed pursuant to subsection 5 of this section shall expire on

129 September 1, [2007] 2012.

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